

Cheney Framehouse
AL-11-A-120
Black Valley Road
vicinity of Flintstone
last quarter of 19th century

Cheney Framehouse on the Black Valley Road near Flintstone was built during the last quarter of the nineteenth century by Millard Cheney. Cheney prospered in this productive farming region. The large house he built is a reflection of his prosperity. Interesting features include a unique roof design with tin shingles crimped to resemble slate, pedimented and fluted window woodwork, and a wrap-around veranda with wooden roman doric columns.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Cheney Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Black Valley Road

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Leo V. Cheney

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

48 Chase Street

CITY, TOWN

Westminster,

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Cheney Frame House is located west of Black Valley Road north of Flintstone.

This building is a rectangular, two and one half story, three bays wide frame structure with german siding. It rests on a high foundation of random rubble with a plain water table. The roof consists of two gabled sections, one gable flank and one gable front. The roof is covered with tin shingles crimped to resemble slate and snowbirds. Eaves consist of a cornice, soffit, and bed mould. Wall features include cornerboards and a three sided bay window on the northeast. Two original corbeled brick chamneys are located in the interior of the building.

The pedimented entrance in the center of the southeastern facade includes a door with one oval light, carved wooden decorations, and original hardware. Wide one over one light windows are pedimented with fluted frames. A hip roofed wrap around veranda has eight romandoric columns, two engaged, and a decorative balustrade. The two tiered shed roofed porch on the northwest has been partially enclosed.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Millard Cheney was the original owner of this house near Flintstone; he is still listed as the owner on the tax map. He was born in 1858 in Flintstone District, Allegany County, and was the son of Leonard Cheney and Sarah Ann (Robinette) Cheney, who were also born in Flintstone District. ⁽¹⁾

Cheney attended public school in Flintstone, and he is described as "a farmer by occupation" in Thomas and Williams' History of Allegany County, Maryland. ⁽²⁾

In 1894, Cheney married Miss Hettie Willison, a native of Allegany County also. ⁽³⁾ The Cheneys had one son, Harold K. Cheney. ⁽⁴⁾

Cheney Frame House retains much of its original appearance, and stands as a reminder of a well-known 19th century farmer of Flintstone District, Allegany County.

(1) James W. Thomas and T.J.C. Williams, History of Allegany County (Philadelphia: L.R. Titsworth and Company), p. 783

(2) Ibid

(3) Ibid

(4) Ibid

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Thomas, James W. and Williams, T.J.C. History of Allegany County. Philadelphia:
L.R. Titsworth and Co., 1923.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 85.16 Acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

4/9/79

STREET & NUMBER County Office Building
3 Pershing Street

TELEPHONE

777-5944

CITY OR TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO: #14DATE: 8/21REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minorNAME OF PROPERTY: Chamney? House

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 140° SE BlackvalleyDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: ↑NAME OF OWNER: Millard Chamney c 90 F. 321 85.16 Acres p 100

ADDRESS: _____

ph. # _____

STORIES: 1() 2(1) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(✓) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()WINGS, ADDITIONS: 2 sm. shed on NW is closed in two tiered porch.

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular)?

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

gen. siding

- (✓) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() OTHER: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others cornerboardsFOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone random rubble sketched w/ cementWATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick
1 light gable casementWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(✓) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged(✓) nailed(✓) wide(✓) narrow() mitred(✓) pediment(✓)ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: center SE
HARDWARE: original(✓) replaced() oval light carved wooden decorations
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original(✓) replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architraveROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, metal crumpled to look like slate, slate, tin, asphalt; Shed Birds original(✓) replaced()PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(✓) hip() gable() unwrapped w/ R.D. columns deco balustradesCHIMNEYS: Number: 2 Brick(✓) Stone() Corbeled(✓) original(✓) replaced()
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior(✓)

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

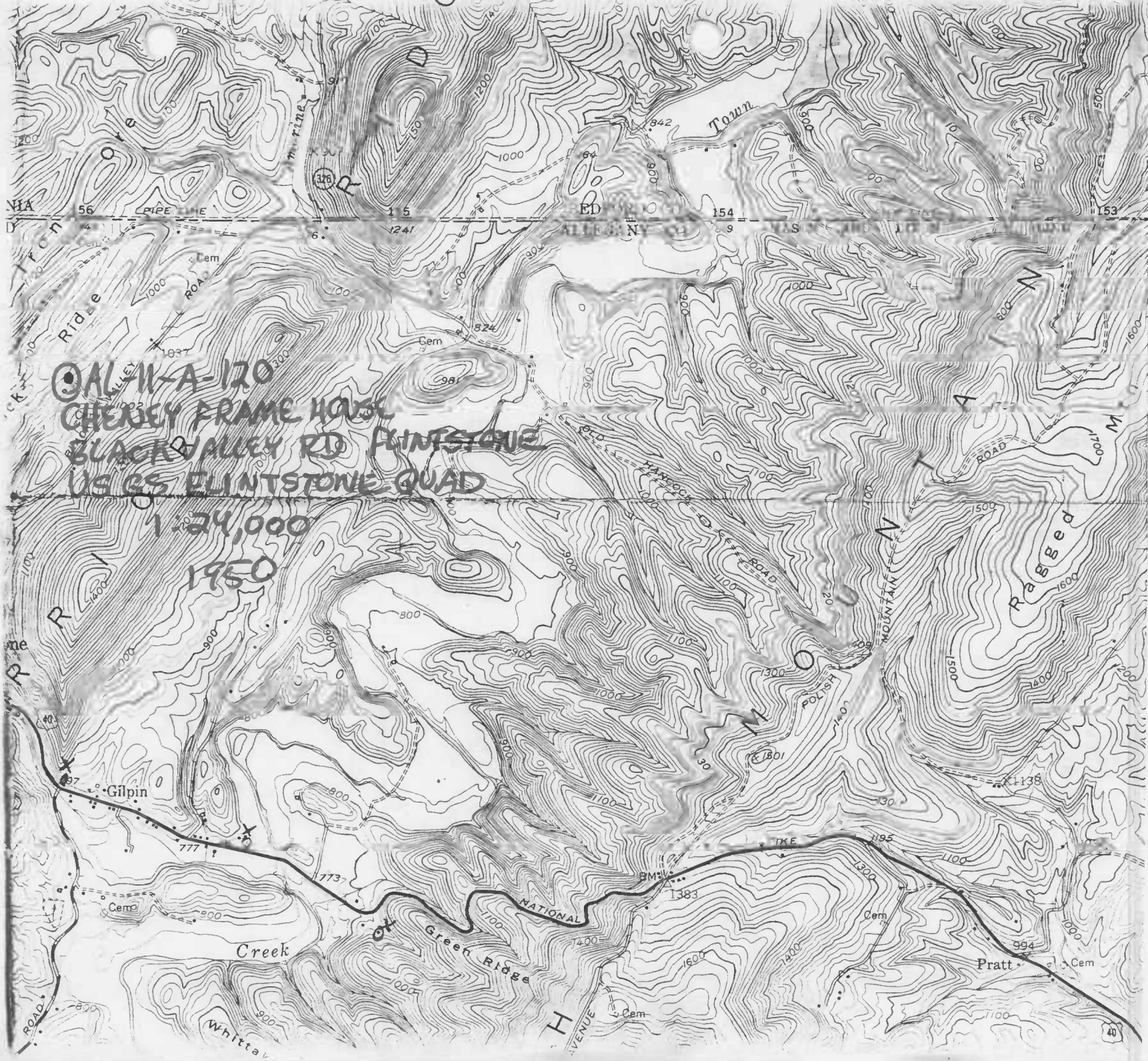
COMMENTS: 3 sided wooden bay on NE

USE: _____

SIGNIFICANCE: _____

DATE CONSTRUCTED: _____

CONDITION: _____



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CHENEY FRAME HOUSE

BLACK VALLEY RD FLINTSTONE

US GS FLINTSTONE QUAD

1:24,000

1950



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CHENEY FRAME HOUSE

BLACK VALLEY RD. FLINTSTONE

DAVID A. DORSEY

8/21/78

North



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CHENEY FRAMEHOUSE

BLACK VALLEY RD FLINTSTOWE

DAVID A. Dorsey

8/21/78

South